

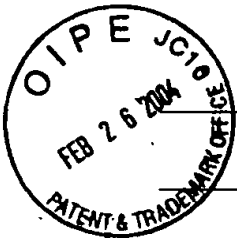
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Filing Date: 02/24/2000

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ERROR-CORRECTION CAPABILITY

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This paper is submitted in response to the Office action of October 6, 2003.

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